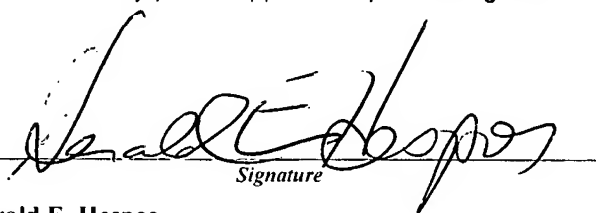
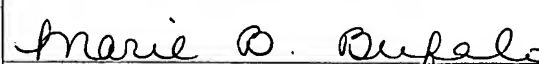


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**AMENDMENT**

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This Amendment is submitted in response to the office action of July 1, 2004.

Please amend the application as follows:

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